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* Rao Bahadur B. Muniswami Nayudu :—" Whatever exactly may be the object of the hon. the Leader of the Opposition which prompted him to agree with the Government in thinking that a satisfactory report on the policy of the Government will be submitted to this Council by the 31st of October by the Finance Committee, to amend that motion by saying that a committee consisting of 15 elected Members of this House shall be appointed in place of the Finance Committee for the same purpose is somewhat extraordinary. The reason for the Council adjourning on the 22nd and again meeting on the 31st is simply to enable the mufassal Members to go back to their places. If my hon. Friend's amendment is accepted and if some of the Members are asked to sit on the proposed committee and to report, then it will be inconveniencing a lot of Members. For, some people may not be able to sit on the committee at all during its sittings in these days. But as the committee is bound to submit its report by the 31st, it will have to do so without carefully and thoroughly going into the whole question, if my hon. Friend's amendment is accepted. I do not think we can have a better committee than the Finance Committee and my hon. Friend, Mr. Saldanha, may rest satisfied with it inasmuch as it has got as many as four Members of the Swaraj Party who can very well represent the views of that party on the committee."

* The hon. the President :—" I take it that the House is ready for giving its vote upon this amendment."

* Mr. J. A. Saldanha :—" I beg to withdraw my amendment." (*Loud laughter.*)

The amendment was by leave withdrawn.

* The hon. the President :—" I take it that the House is ready for the question. The question is :

' *That the consideration of the supplementary demands be postponed and that in the meantime the Finance Committee be requested to consider the policy of the Government in appropriating the sums remitted by the Government of India and to report by the* 31st *October to the Council their utilization in future*'."

The motion was put and adopted.

VII

DRAFT RULE UNDER SECTION 201 OF THE MADRAS LOCAL BOARDS ACT.

* The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan :—" I do not propose to move the motion [a] which stands in my name on the agenda."

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[a] *II.—Motion to be made by the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government.*

The hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan will move—

That the following draft rule proposed to be made by the Local Government under sub-section (1) of section 201 of the Madras Local Boards Act, 1920, adding to rule 10 of Schedule II to the Act, be approved :—

Draft Rule.

In exercise of the powers conferred on them by sub-section (1) of section 201 of the Madras Local Boards Act, 1920, the Local Government make the following rule adding to rule 10 of Schedule II to the Act :—

" The words 'and to the District Collector' shall be added to clause (*b*) of sub-rule (2) of rule 10."

* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" By leave withdrawn."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" Not moved at all ? "

* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" The item is withdrawn."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" From the agenda ? "

* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" Yes, from the agenda."

VIII

A BILL TO AMEND THE MADRAS PREVENTION OF ADULTERATION ACT, 1918—*cont.*[a]

Clause 2.

Mr. C. B. COTTERELL :—" I beg to move the amendment which stands in my name—

' *Substitute* the following for the definition of " milk " :—

' " *Milk* " *means the normal clean secretion drawn from the udder of a healthy cow or buffalo either completely, or, after the first portion of such secretion has been drawn off, to completion.*'

" I formally move the amendment."

* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar wants to move an amendment that in the definition of ' milk ' the words ' either completely or to completion ' and ' either completely or ' be omitted. I think he will have to move it as an amendment to the amendment of Mr. Cotterell."

* Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I catch your point, Sir. That is what I am exactly doing. I move my amendment as an amendment to the amendment of Mr. Cotterell. My object in moving this amendment is this : I do not find any difference between the words ' completely ' and ' to completion '. To me it seems that both the words convey the same idea. I do not see where the need is for any repetition and unless any fresh light is thrown on the need for this repetition, by those who are responsible for the framing of this Bill, I think I must move my amendment as it is."

* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" I think the hon. Member, Mr. Krishnan Nayar, will do well to propose the omission of the words ' either completely or ' in line 2 of Mr. Cotterell's amendment. That may be one amendment. He may have to move another amendment to omit the words ' to completion ' as a second amendment. Does the hon. Member propose to move the omission ? "

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[a] Discussion continued from page 297 of the Proceedings of the Council dated 26th August 1927.